

**Amendments to the Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A shaving apparatus, comprising;  
a reservoir for storing a shaving aid material;  
a razor cartridge having at least one razor blade; and  
a valve comprising a spring-loaded plug element and an orifice to receive the spring-loaded plug element is selectively actuatable by movement of the razor cartridge between a first position and a second position;  
wherein in the first position the valve permits passage of shaving aid material from the reservoir, and in the second position the valve substantially prevents passage of shaving aid material from the reservoir.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently amended) The shaving apparatus of claim-21, wherein the spring-loaded plug element is disposed on a stem.
4. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 3, further comprising a manifold in which the stem is axially translatable.
5. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 3, further comprising a seal member disposed adjacent the stem.
6. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 1, wherein the spring-loaded plug element is a ball.

7. (Currently amended) A shaving apparatus, comprising:  
a reservoir for storing a shaving aid material;  
a razor cartridge having at least one razor blade; and  
a valve selectively actuable by movement of the razor cartridge between a first position and a second position;  
wherein in the first position the valve permits passage of shaving aid material from the reservoir, and in the second position the valve substantially prevents passage of shaving aid material from the reservoir; ~~The shaving apparatus of claim 1,~~  
wherein the valve comprises a resiliently collapsible conduit and a gate, wherein the gate is normally biased against the conduit in a first position to prevent the flow of the shaving aid material from the reservoir, and is selectively movable to a second position wherein the flow of shaving aid material from the reservoir through the conduit is permitted.
8. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 7, wherein the conduit is a tube.
9. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 7, wherein the gate includes a leaf spring.
10. (Currently amended) A valve for a shaving apparatus, comprising:  
a plug element cooperably connected to a razor cartridge; and  
an orifice in which the plug element is received;  
wherein the razor cartridge is movable between a first position and a second position such that the plug element permits passage of a shaving aid material from a reservoir when the razor cartridge is in the first position and prevents passage of the shaving aid material from the reservoir when the razor cartridge is in the second position.
11. (Original) The valve of claim 10, wherein the plug element is a spring-loaded ball.

12. (Original) The valve of claim 11, wherein the ball is disposed on a stem.
13. (Original) The valve of claim 12, wherein the stem is operably connected to the razor cartridge.
14. (Canceled)
15. (Canceled)